(c) what are the institutes in the country which are engaged in biotechnology/microlinal research; and

(d) whether any patents taken by the Indian scientists so far remain unexploited commercially?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE DEPARTMENT OF DEFENCE PRODUCTION AND SUPPLIES IN THE MINISTRY OF DEFENCE (SHRI SHIVRAJ PATIL): (a) to (d). Information is being collected and will be laid on the Table of the House.

Survey by Operations Research Group on Televisions

2758. SHRI N. E. BALARAM:
SHRI SURAJ PRASAD:

Will the Minister of INFORMATION AND BROADCASTING be pleased to state:

(a) whether Governments' attention has been drawn into a latest field survey by Operations Research Group on television viewing in seven metropolitan cities which has found that the special programme featuring the Prime Minister (his tour or press conference) had hardly five per sent of viewership across the seven major cities covered in the survey;

(b) if so, what are the details thereof; and

(c) whether Government propose to discontinue such programmes of lesser viewership?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF INFORMATION AND BROADCASTING (SHRI AJIT PANJA): (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) The Operation Research Group has only indicated the rating of programmes for a specific fortnight.

(c) No, Sir. Programmes which have social and educative aspects will be included in the telecast schedule.

Premises of Government officials raided

2759. SHRI RAMSINGHBHAI PATALIYABHAI RATHVAKOLI: Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that the enforcement department have raided the premises of various Government officials and have found unaccounted assets, cash and other wealth and if so, what are the names of the officials in this regard; and

(b) whether it is a fact that when premises of other economic offenders like excise, Customs Duty, Income Tax, Welth Tax and other revenue evaders are raided their names prominently appear in news papers while the names of the Government officers who are involved in similar or more serious offences are not divulged and if so, what are the reasons thereof?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF FINANCE (SHRI JANARDHAN POOJARI): (a) and (b) Information to the extent possible is being collected and will be laid on the Table of the House.

Refund of Examination Fees to Candidates applying for Government Jobs

2760. SHRI RAMSINGHBHAI PATALIYABHAI RATHVAKOLI: Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that the candidates applying for Government jobs have to accompany their application forms with the Indian Postal Orders towards the expenses that Government has to incur on interview etc;

(b) whether it is also a fact that in spite of enclosing the Postal Orders and also otherwise qualifying for the posts the candidates are not even called for the interviews; and

(c) whether Government propose to discontinue such practice and refund the fees to those candidates who are not called for interviews?

THE DEPUTY MINISTER IN THE MINISTRY OF PERSONNEL, PUBLIC GRIEVANCES AND PENSIONS (SHRI BIREN SINGH ENGTI): (a) Candidates applying for posts under the Central Government have to pay a nominal fee along with their application forms. However, candidates belonging to Scheduled Castes and Scheduled Tribes are not required to pay any fees for admission to any recruitment examination/ selection. In addition, physically handicapped persons are exempted from the payment of application and examination fee prescribed in respect of competitive examinations held by the Staff Selection Commission and Union Public Service Commission for recruitment to various Group C and B (Non-gazetted) posts.

(b) The number of candidates to be called for interview is dependent upon a number of factors including the number of candidates applying for the post, the number of persons qualifying the written examination, where necessary, etc.

(c) No such proposal is under consideration of the Government.

Committee of businessmen to advise on programme implementation

2761. SHRI RAMSINGHBHAI PATALIYABHAI RATHVAKOLI: Will the Minister of PROGRAMME IMPLEMENTATION be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that a Committee of businessmen has been set up to advise on programme implementation and if so, what are the details thereof;

(b) who are the members of this committee and what is their term in office; and

(c) what remuneration, perquisites and/ or facilities the members of the Committee would be provided to them?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF ENVIRONMENT AND FORESTS (SHRI Z. R. ANSARI): (a) The Government have constituted an advisory Council on Project Implementation for advising the Ministry of Programme Implementation on important project implementation systems and organisational development. The members of the Council are professional managers, academicians and enterpreneurs of proven track record.

(b) Names of the Chairman and the Members of the Council are listed below:

(1) Shri Ratan N. Tata, Chairman Tata Industries Ltd., Bombay.	Chairman
(2) Shri S.P. Acharyaa, formerly Chairmn, Shaw Wallance & Co., Calcutta/President, ASSOCHAM.	Member
(3) Shri A.K. Khosla Chairman, G.E.C. Group of Companies Nehru Place, New Delhi.	Member
(4) Shri Dhruv Sawhney, President Triveni Engineering Works Ltd., Kasturba Gandhi Marg, New Delhi	Member
(5) Dr. Parvinder Singh Managing Director, Ranbaxy Laboratories Ltd. New Delhi	Member
(6) Dr. M.B. Athreya, Management Adviser Athreya. Management Systems New Delhi	Member

No term has been specified for the Advisory Council.

(c) No remunreation, perquisites and/ or facilities have been provided to the Chairman and Members of the Advisory Council

Irregular Bank Loans

2762. *SHRI RAMSINGHBHAI PATALIYABHAI RATHVAKOLI:* Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that irregular bank loans are amounting to Rs 5000 cro-